

Public Safety & License Committee Meeting
December 1, 2009 @ 6:00 PM

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ORDERED THAT the DPW Superintendent and City Engineer appear before the Public Safety Committee to discuss safety concerns at the intersection of McKinstry Avenue and Chicopee Street.

ITEM #2

ORDERED THAT the DPW Superintendent and City Engineer appear before the Public Safety Committee to discuss safety concerns in the area of 50-70 Broadway.

ITEM #3

ORDERED THAT Daniel's Truck Center, 18 Montcalm Street, Class II & Auto Repair Licenses be called in before the License Committee because of possible restriction violations and possible environmental concerns. At this hearing the committee may modify, suspend, or revoke the licenses.

ITEM #4

ORDERED THAT the Public Safety Committee scheduled to meet on December 1, 2008 be a joint meeting with the License Committee. At this meeting the owner of Pride Convenience, Inc., 27 Montgomery Street, be called in to discuss public safety issues at the station and store. At his hearing the committee may modify, suspend, or revoke the license.

ITEM #5

Minutes – Public Safety – September 29, 2008

ITEM #6

Minutes – License Committee – October 27, 2008



CHICOPEE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE & LICENSE COMMITTEE

ACCEPTED 3/23/09

MEMBERS

Ronald Belair, Chairman
Robert J. Zygarowski, Vice-Chairman
Fred Krampits
Dino Brunetti
Shane Brooks

MINUTES
December 1, 2008

The following are the minutes of a public hearing held Monday, December 1, 2008 at 6:00 PM in the Aldermanic Chambers, Fourth Floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.

Members Present

Belair, Zygarowski, Krampits, Brunetti, Brooks

Also Present

Alderman Swider, Alderman McLellan, Alderman Tillotson, Stanley Kulig (DPW Superintendent), Steven Frederick (City Engineer), Kate Brown (Planning Director), Dan Garvey (Associate City Solicitor), Mary Donahue (Conservation Administrator), Captain Patrick Halpin, John Ferraro, Jr. (Police Chief),

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

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ORDERED THAT the DPW Superintendent and City Engineer appear before the Public Safety Committee to discuss safety concerns at the intersection of McKinstry Avenue and Chicopee Street.

After discussion with Steve Frederick and Stan Kulig the committee recommended that two CURVE AHEAD signs be installed at locations to be determined by the City Engineer with graphics and refresh STOP SIGN.

Committee vote 5 – 0 favorable.

ITEM #2

ORDERED THAT the DPW Superintendent and City Engineer appear before the Public Safety Committee to discuss safety concerns in the area of 50-70 Broadway.

After discussion with Steve Frederick, Stan Kulig, and Police Chief the committee recommended that Alderman Belair and Alderman Zygarowski file an order to remove two parking spaces on Broadway and DPW install a MERGE AHEAD sign.

Committee vote 5 – 0 favorable.

ITEM #3

ORDERED THAT Daniel's Truck Center, 18 Montcalm Street, Class II & Auto Repair Licenses be called in before the License Committee because of possible restriction violations and possible environmental concerns. At this hearing the committee may modify, suspend, or revoke the licenses.

Daniel Laflamme, license holder was present at the meeting.

Alderman Belair received the following letter from Kate Brown which triggered this license to be called in.

October 9, 2008

The truck sales business at this location has expanded outside of its current license into Residential A property, and very close to the edge of the ravine now being stabilized. A concerned neighbor at 606 Prospect Street has been calling on behalf of the immediate abutter at 4 Montcalm who is an elderly man and is being negatively impacted by the increase in the area of business use around his house.

The licensed area corresponds with the Business A zoning. There is no indication that the Residential property in the rear has ever been in Business use. The Pictometry shot of this area confirms that there has been recent clearing to the rear of the site. So, there may be multiple violations. (Mary, I think you checked it out on a day the neighbor indicated they had moved all the vehicles – but the vehicles are now back).

Motion was made to table until the January 2009 License Committee meeting. This will allow the license holder to confirm to license restrictions and clean up the property. Motion passed.

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Robert Bolduc, President, Pride Convenience, Inc., was present at the meeting.

Alderman Zygarowski explained the traffic problems at this location which create a safety hazard. After discussion the following was recommended and agreed upon:

- No parking in front of store lot to be lined in front "No Parking"
- Mr. Bolduc to do traffic study and report back to BOA. Possible redesign Grattan Street entrance and exit
- Curbing on Grattan Street to be painted
- Report back at March 2009 meeting

Committee vote 5 – 0 favorable.

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Minutes – Public Safety – September 29, 2008. Motion made to approve. Motion passed.

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Minutes – License Committee – October 27, 2008. Motion made to approve. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.